Backyard Farm and wish them continued success and prosperity in the future.●

### RECOGNIZING ZACHARY WEBB

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Zachary Webb, an intern in my Rapid City, SD, office, for all of the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several weeks.

Zack is currently a student at El Segundo High School in El Segundo, CA. He is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Zack for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

## ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 10:15 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 44. Joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

At 12:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1868. An act to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 190. Concurrent resolution authorizing printing of the brochure entitled "How Our Laws Are Made", the document-sized, annotated version of the United States Constitution, and the pocket version of the United States Constitution.

At 3:56 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Mr. Hanrahan, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3074. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 835. An act to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs pursuant to the order of May 27, 1988, for a period not to exceed 60 days.

# MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3074. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes.

# EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2689. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus Thuringiensis Vip3Aa19 Protein in Cotton; Exemption from the Requirements of a Tolerance; Technical Amendment" (FRL No. 8134-3) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2600. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2691. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Amendment of Sections 73.62 and 73.1350 of the Commission's Rules" ((FCC 07-97)(MB Docket No. 03-151)) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2692. A communication from the Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wireless Operations in the 3650-3700 MHz Band; Rules for Wireless Broadband Services in the 3650-3700 MHz Band; Additional Spectrum for Unlicensed Devices Below 900 MHz and in the 3 GHz Band" ((FCC 07-99)(ET Docket No. 04-151)) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2693. A communication from the Acting Legal Advisor, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sunset of the Cellular Radiotelephone Service Analog Service Requirement and Related Matters" (FCC 07-103) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2694. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations; Redding, Cottonwood, and Shasta Lake, California" (MB Docket No. 05-131) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2695. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations; Akron, Colorado" (MB Docket No. 05-102) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2696. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations; Llano, Junction and Goldthwaite, Texas" (MB Docket No. 05-151) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2697. A communication from the Chief of the Policy Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Review of the Emergency Alert System" ((FCC 07-109)(EB Docket No. 04-296)) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2698. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Redesignation of the Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment and Approval of the Area's Maintenance Plan and 2002 Base Year Inventory" (FRL No. 8445-7) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2699. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agent for a Consolidated Group with Foreign Common Parent" ((RIN1545-BF30)(TD 9343)) received on July 24, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2700. A communication from the Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Hawaii Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2701. A communication from the Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Indiana Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2702. A communication from the Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Pennsylvania Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.